DEPARTMENT OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



October 16, 1975

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 75-220

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

Superseded by ACL #77-15

SUBJECT: SUA/UIB CLAIMANTS AND EXHAUSTEES ON AFDC-U

issued 3-17-77

REFERENCE:

The Department of Benefit Payments (DBP) is in need of information on the number of Special Unemployment Assistance/Unemployment Insurance (SUA/UI)* claimants and exhaustees who are applying for AFDC-U.

The question has been raised in many quarters: will the high rate of unemployment result in a large number of persons who have exhausted their UI Benefits (in spite of extensions) and who are still unemployed? The immediate concern is that many of these people may also have exhausted their liquid resources and may turn to welfare for assistance.

To obtain some data on the impact which the exhaustion of unemployment benefits may have on the AFDC-U caseload, we are asking that all counties participate in a study using a questionnaire (Report on SUA/UIB, Temp 1064 copy attached) to be completed during intake on all AFDC-U applications in which: 1) the deprivation to the child is caused by unemployment of a parent and 2) the unemployed parent was receiving or was eligible to receive SUA/UIB in the 12 months prior to application for AFDC-U. We anticipate that this will involve only a small percentage of all new approvals and will therefore not be an excessive burden to the intake eligibility workers.

Information on the impact of exhaustees on the AFDC-U caseload will assist the department in preparing proposals which may alleviate the burden this possible increase in caseload would have on the counties and the state.

^{*}Includes extended duration benefit programs: Federal-State Extended Compensation Program (FED-ED); Emergency Extended Unemployment Compensation (EME II); and Federal Supplemental Extended Benefits Program (EME-EX).

The study will be conducted over a six month period from November 1, 1975, through April 30, 1976. It would facilitate the conduct of the study if we had one person in each county to whom forms and instructions from DBP could be sent and questions could be directed for forwarding to DBP. Please notify Teresa Hawkes of Information Development Bureau ((916) 322-5462) of the name, business address and phone number of the county contact so that the November supply of forms can be sent as soon as possible (See attached memo to County Contacts).

Questions should be directed to Teresa Hawkes of Information Development Bureau at (916) 322-5462 or (ATSS) 492-5462.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and assistance in this matter. We hope that it will be for our mutual benefit.

Sincerely,

GARY G. ADAMS

Deputy Director

Attachments

cc: CWDA

Memorandum

To : County Contacts

Date: October 3, 1975

Subject: Study of SUA/UIB exhaustees

on AFDC-U

From : Department of Benefit Payments

The Department of Benefit Payments (DBP) has requested that the counties participate in a short term study of SUA/UIB exhaustees on the AFDC-U caseload. A county contact would facilitate coordination of the study with DBP.

As a county contact for this study, you will be responsible for:

1. Receiving SUA/UIB report forms (Temp 1064) and instructions from DBP.

The supply of forms for November will be sent as soon as you have notified us that you are the contact person. (Call Teresa Hawkes of Information Development Bureau at (916) 322-5462).

- 2. Distributing SUA/UIB report forms (Temp 1064) and instructions to the Eligibility Workers.
- 3. Reviewing SUA/UIB reports (Temp 1064) for completeness and accuracy.
- 4. Sending SUA/UIB reports (Temp 1064) to DBP at the end of each week. Forms should be sent to:

Department of Benefit Payments Information Development Bureau 744 P St., M.S. 12-84 Sacramento, CA 95814

5. Contacting DBP if any problems arise. You will, in turn, be the person we contact for help should we have any specific problems with the report forms. We hope that this study will flow quickly and smoothly. Questions should be directed to Teresa Hawkes, Information Development Bureau, (916) 322-5462 or (ATSS) 492-5462.

Thank you.

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